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COVER PERSON

This month's cover person is none other than the fabulous and fantastic AMAZON! An entertainer whose specialty is appearing at fund raisers, AMAZON has appeared extensively in Reno, Modesto, and Sacramento.

AMAZON is involved in the Stanislaus Owl Empire (Court Of The Rainbow Owl). He holds the title: Princess Royale and Heir To The Throne.

An out-of-doors type, AMAZON loves to camp (!) and fish. In his spare time, he is also active in the Modesto AIDS/KS Foundation.

Persons interested in corresponding with AMAZON should write to Herb Hanes, 3700 Tully Road, #142, Modesto, CA 95356.

NGTF RESPONDS TO JOHN GLENN

The National Gay Task Force (NGTF) responded to two recent statements by Democratic Presidential contender John Glenn, in which the Ohio Senator said he did not favor extension of federal civil rights protections to gay people and described homosexuality as "personal behavior."

NGTF sent a telegram to Glenn commenting on his position and saying that discrimination based on sexual orientation is an everyday reality in America that must be addressed. The organization also expressed concern to Senator Paul Tsongas (D-MA), principal sponsor of the Federal gay/lesbian civil rights bill and a prominent Glenn supporter, as well as to other

political figures who have endorsed Glenn, or who are particularly concerned about gay and lesbian civil rights.

NGTF maintains that two of Glenn's remarks--"(I would not) do anything as President that could be interpreted as advocacy or promotion of homosexuality" and "I will not sponsor or support legislation to extend Title 7 of the Civil Rights Act to include sexual preference"--are among the most negative yet issued by a declared 1984 Presidential candidate. The group urged Glenn supporters across the nation to make their dissatisfaction on this matter known to the candidate.

PRIDE AND PREJUDICE!

Saying that it would be inappropriate for Marines to go into a homosexual establishment, the Marines recently refused to send anyone to a gay bar, the Job Site in North Hollywood, to pick up Christmas gifts collected in a Toys for Tots campaign.

Gunnery Sergeant Tom Griggs, spokesperson for the Marines, made the decision not to pick up the toys at the Job Site. He said, "We've got a proud tradition and we're very, very proud of our uniform. We're not only concerned

about how we wear our uniform, but where we wear it."

California State Senator Alan Robbins, whose district includes the bar, picked up the toys and helped deliver them to a nearby collection center. Robbins said he picked up the toys because he wanted to "help give some needy children a merrier Christmas."

The manager of the Job Site, Mark Siefker, himself an ex-marine, arranged the party to collect the toys for needy children. He said the Marines had broken their promise to pick up the toys.

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RESOLUTIONS: ONE LAST FLING!

Anything worth doing is worth overdoing. It has long been the needlepoint above my bed. Yet during the Holidays, I fear I exceed even my own excesses! I mean, who am I to say no? Even if it is just another glass of bubbly and a turkey leg! At any rate, my dears, I am in the throes of total Holiday turpitude, when hung means I've had too much to drink, stuffed too much to eat, my sore throat too much to smoke. There could only be one thing worse--giving it all up!

Looming on the horizon is New Year's and those nasty resolutions we're all supposed to make. You know, those promises not to do what you love to do but shouldn't do and will probably do anyway! These flagellations (ooh!) generally take three forms: booze, smoke, and food. (Do note that sex is ostensibly missing. At very least I consider it a form of aerobic exercise!)

Well, I for one want to know what I'm giving up, just to make sure it's really such a good idea. So I've arranged one last fling.

CHOCOLUST

Honey, this is the height of divine decadence, the pinnacle of pleasure, culinarylingus at its best. If you don't swear off rich foods and chocolate after this, you must be totally intemperate, given to unbridled passions (ooh, how wonderful!).

Preparation Time: 2 Hours
Cooking Time: 45 min
Chills: At least 5 hr

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 pounds semi-sweet chocolate
- 1/2 cup strong black (ooh!) coffee
- 3 eggs, separated
- 1/2 cup Tia Maria
- 1/2 cup whipping cream
- 1 (23-ounce) package brownie mix (without nuts!)
- 2 Tablespoons of water
- 3 whole eggs
- 1/2 pound semi-sweet chocolate
- 1/3 cup water

Preparation:

1. Put the 1 1/2 pounds of semi-sweet chocolate (if not in bits, broken into bits) and the coffee in the top of a double boiler over simmering water. Stir occasionally until the chocolate is completely melted. Remove from the heat.

2. Beat the three egg yolks until pale yellow. Whisk into the chocolate.

3. Whisking, (or is that swishing?) add the Tia Maria to the chocolate and let the mixture cool.

4. Beat the three egg whites until stiff (my, my!), adding the sugar.

5. In a separate bowl, whip the cream until stiff. (Lots of things are getting stiff here, dear!)

6. Gently fold the whipped cream into the cooled chocolate mixture.

7. Gently, but completely, fold in the egg whites.

8. Try not to consume too much of this mixture while completing the remainder of this recipe.

9. Preheat your oven (or someone else's!) to 350 degrees.

10. Grease an 11 X 15 inch jelly roll pan and line it with wax paper. Grease and lightly flour the wax paper, shaking off the excess flour.

11. Beat together the brownie mix (we fairies love brownies!), 2 Tablespoons of water, and 3 whole eggs with an electric mixer at medium speed. Beat till smooth.

12. Spread the batter evenly in the pan. Bake for 10 to 12 minutes or until a toothpick inserted (ooh) into the cake comes up clean.

13. Turn the cake onto a rack and peel off the paper.

14. Lightly oil a 2-quart charlotte mold.

15. Cut two rounds of cake: one to fit the top of the mold and one to fit the bottom. Cut a strip of cake to line the sides. (You may have to patch the sides, but, not to worry, the chocolate glaze will cover all sins.)

16. Line the bottom and sides of the mold with the cake.

17. Pour in the mousse filling and fit the larger round of cake on top of the mold.

18. Chill for 4 hours until firm.

19. Melt the 1/2 pound of chocolate in the 1/3 cup of water, stirring over low heat till completely smooth.

20. Unmold the chilled cake. Carefully run a knife around the edge of the mold. Invert the cake onto a serving dish.

21. Spread the warm glaze over the top of the cake (the top is the smaller circle) and dribble it down the sides.

22. Chill again until the glaze is set.

23. Serve in itsy-bitsy pieces.

24. Moan with pleasure.

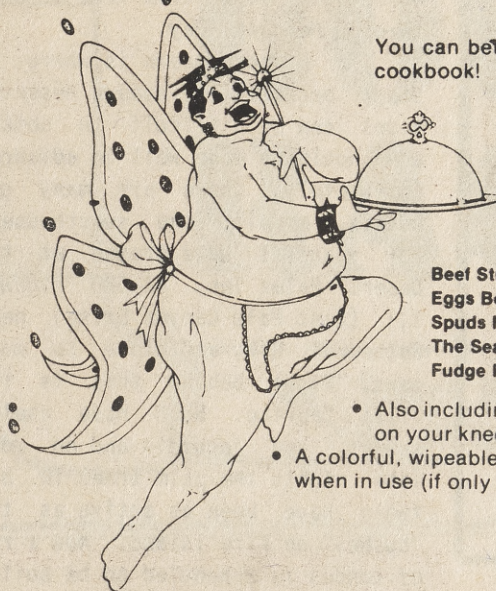
Happy New Year's, my dears. And don't miss next month's column: Hot from the nation's capital! Till next we eat, yummy down and kiss, kiss...

The Kitchen Fairy

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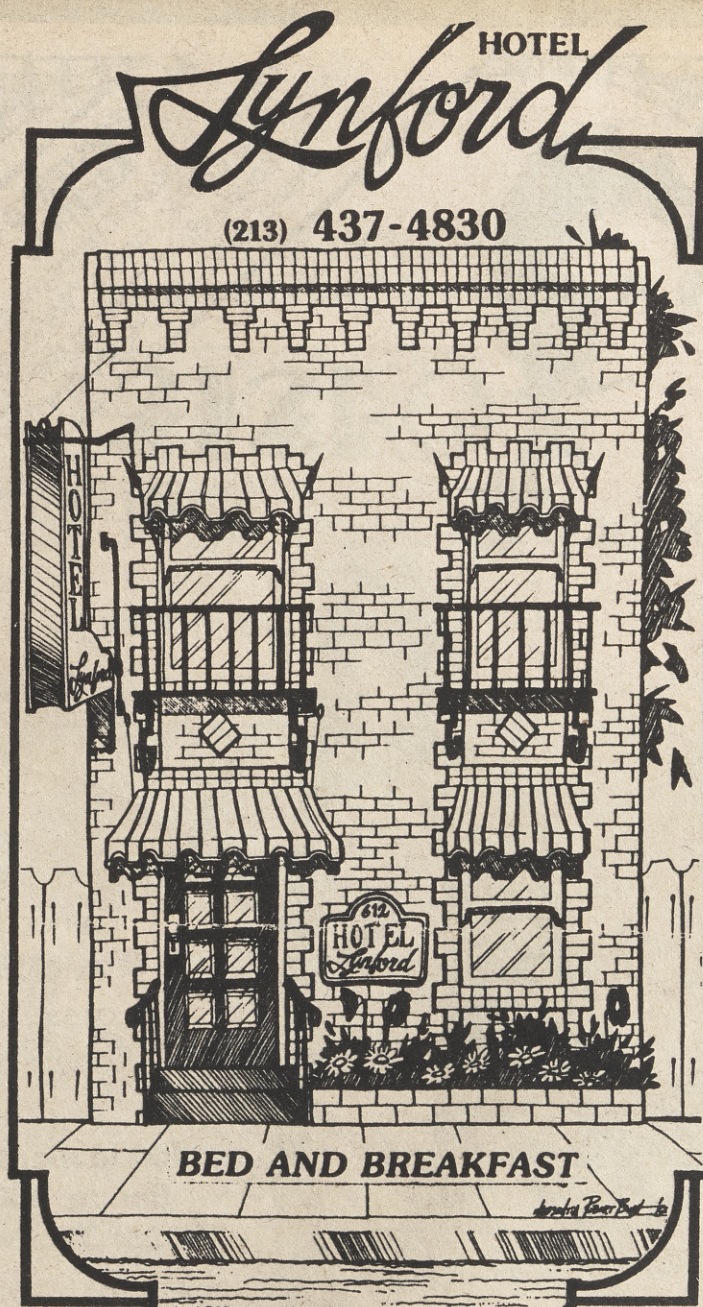
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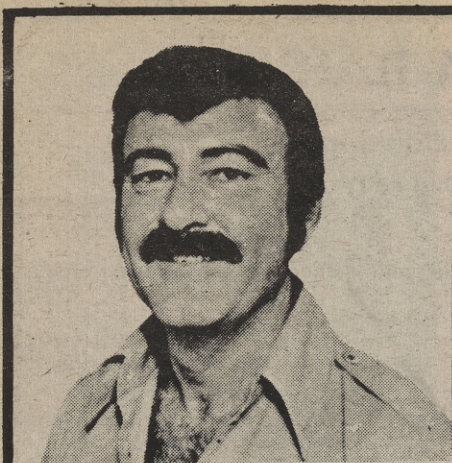
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PALM SPRINGS

Palm Springs was once known as the "playground of the stars," but today it is everyone's playground! This fashionable Southern California resort has 35,000 residents and over 7,000 swimming pools. When

most of the nation is knee deep in snow, Palm Springs (I love it) often reaches unseasonal highs in the eighties. There is an unusually large gay community for a place this small, and it reaches a peak during the season from late October through Memorial Day.

Of prime concern is where to stay, because in-season reservations can be difficult to obtain and should be made well in advance. Fortunately, there are many gay hotels, motels, and guesthouses. For years I have stayed at the Desert Palms Inn, 67-580 Highway 111 (East Palm Canyon Drive) near Cathedral City and close to most bars. Right behind this is the Villa Caprice. Both have pools, saunas, and jacuzzis and on most late nights the palm trees in between have been as active as the "bushes" on Fire Island. Now a row of condos is scheduled to be built, separating the two, but I'm sure both will continue to provide their guests with their own entertainment.

The Last World Resort, further out at 43900 Joshua Road in Rancho Mirage, has its own "bushes," plus swimming pools, tennis courts, golf

course, bar, disco, show lounge, and Sebastian's, one of the best gay restaurants. Then there is the very posh and elegant El Mirasol Villas at 525 Warm Sands Drive. One of the nicest guest houses is the Pines West at 1380 North Indian Avenue. It attracts mature men and has nude sun-bathing. The Desert Paradise at 772 Prescott is mostly straight January through March, but all gay and most congenial the rest of the year. These latter three are in Palm Springs, a few miles west of Cathedral City. The aptly named Hildway at 71-472 Culver Drive in Rancho Mirage has a laid-back, relaxed atmosphere and is perfect for lovers.

Daddy Warbuck's at 68-981 Highway 111, is the current "in" disco. It has a great DJ, sound system, and the hottest, most athletic young preppies around. C.C. Construction Company gets a slightly more macho and mature group. It is located next door to the Club Palm Springs, a new, popular bath at 68-449 Perez Road. The Gaf, at Ramon Road and Cathedral, is the best women's disco. Rocks, at 67-977 Highway 111, is the number-one cruise bar for levi, western, or leather guys and is also the most active after-hours. BUNS is another friendly watering spot at 68-657 Highway 111.

The Wild Goose is a busy new restaurant at 67-938 Highway 111, mostly gay, but comfortable for all. The pleasant staff, including star waitress Bonnie, didn't bat an eye when I inadvertently called her Clyde. By press time, Carriage Trade of the Desert (a new branch of the restaurant in L.A.) may have opened where the Blue Foxx used to be and should do well. The Alliga-

tor Grill is great for breakfast or burgers. The Rhinoceros at Villa Capri is OK and unpretentious. Maria's offers good Italian food, but the rotund, overly loud Maria would be well-advised to direct her attention to the kitchen and spare the customers. Allegro and Two-Bunch Palms are AC-DC.

Fire Island-in-the-desert is about a two-hour drive east of Los Angeles and can be reached by direct flights from most major American cities. Some, but not most, attractive newcomers arrive by Greyhound and leave in Rolls Royces. Palm Springs was originally settled by the Agua Caliente Indians, who were the first to discover the spa's famous healing waters. Next it became a movie-colony hideaway for Hollywood stars, followed by Dwight Eisenhower, Jerry Ford, and others. Now we're here and I think to stay.

The sunny climate is the major attraction of this desert oasis, but even with hot days, the nights can be forty degrees cooler; so bring some warm clothes too! Swimming, hiking, cycling, volleyball, golf, jogging, tennis, horseback riding, and other sports are available. So is my favorite indoor (and occasionally outdoor) sport--SEX! All I can add is, Palm Springs, I still love you. Chances are, you will too.

For more detailed information, pick up a copy of the Bob Damron ADDRESS BOOK '84--America's foremost travel guide--available at most better bars, baths, and bookstores throughout America. Or send \$12 for your copy to: BOB DAMRON ENTERPRISES, INC., PO Box 14-077, San Francisco, CA 94114.

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Horoscopes

By Dr. Pat Larr

CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)--As Neptune enters your sign, you start the year with lots of social engagements. You're sure to have your hands full, so be sure to give yourself the strokes you deserve and everything should come out alright.

AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)--Your wig begins to fizz. Your lip gloss smears. Your push-up bra won't stay put, and that eye shadow just isn't you. Yes, it's that time again! Mars enters Uranus. What a drag!

PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)--You have aroused the interest of a mysterious stranger. It's fated that your paths will cross sometime this month. Then it's your turn to be aroused.

ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 19)--The party's over. The holidays are gone, and Venus moves into your House of Romance next month. Now is the time to get that waistline in shape. They don't sell jeans in size "battleship."

TAURUS (Apr 20-May 20)--You didn't get a Cabbage Patch Doll for Christmas, but you got a head of cabbage instead? Take heart. It's fated that this month you discover a living doll to adopt. And that isn't coleslaw.

GEMINI (May 21-Jun 20)--Stand up for your rights for a change. That special someone is treating you like a doormat. It's time to get a little something straight between you to me.

CANCER (Jun 21-Jul 22)--The darling of the Cosmos, you start the New Year with your sex appeal at an all-time high. You leave a trail of hot flashes wherever you go, and you know how you love to fan the flames.

LEO (Jul 23-Aug 22)--Your stubborn streak is showing again. Aren't you tired of saying "No" all the time? Loosen that first button and that special someone is sure to do the rest.

VIRGO (Aug 23-Sep 22)--Pop too many poppers? Down too many drugs? Booze too much bubbly over the holidays? It's time to get out of the fast lane, little one. No wonder when people look at you they say, "Check your bags?"

LIBRA (Sep 23-Oct 22)--Mars, planet of change, will be sending lots of kinky people, places, and things your way this month. You may be forced to do some strange things against your will, but once you've tried them, you'll be begging for more. Just don't get tied down to any one thing.

SCORPIO (Oct 23-Nov 22)--The love light of Venus shines on you this month. A special someone from the past returns to pluck at your heartstrings, and you'll be plucked like you were never plucked before.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)--Hope the whole year isn't like this--an old relationship crumbles, producing shockwaves at home and at work. Take a long, stiff one to settle your nerves.

Euphemia

By Euphemia Euris

Confidential to letter writers in Ft. Lauderdale and Houston--and to that anonymous caller who knows who she is even if I don't. Regarding last month's waitress letter: Your correspondence and call reassure me that reading my bits and pieces may actually stir a few of you up. Henceforth, I shall include the name of the city from whence each letter I use comes. That way you'll be less apt to "know for sure" about whom I'm speaking and also less inspired to vent your spleen.

Dear Euphemia,

My best friend--I'll call him Don--has this really terrific lover--I'll call him Jim--with whom he has lived now for twenty-two months.

Lately Jim has been coming on to me, and I'm interested. Not in such a way to cause problems between them--just maybe a quick toss in the hay now and then. Nothing serious. Jim keeps saying that Don need never know, and I agree.

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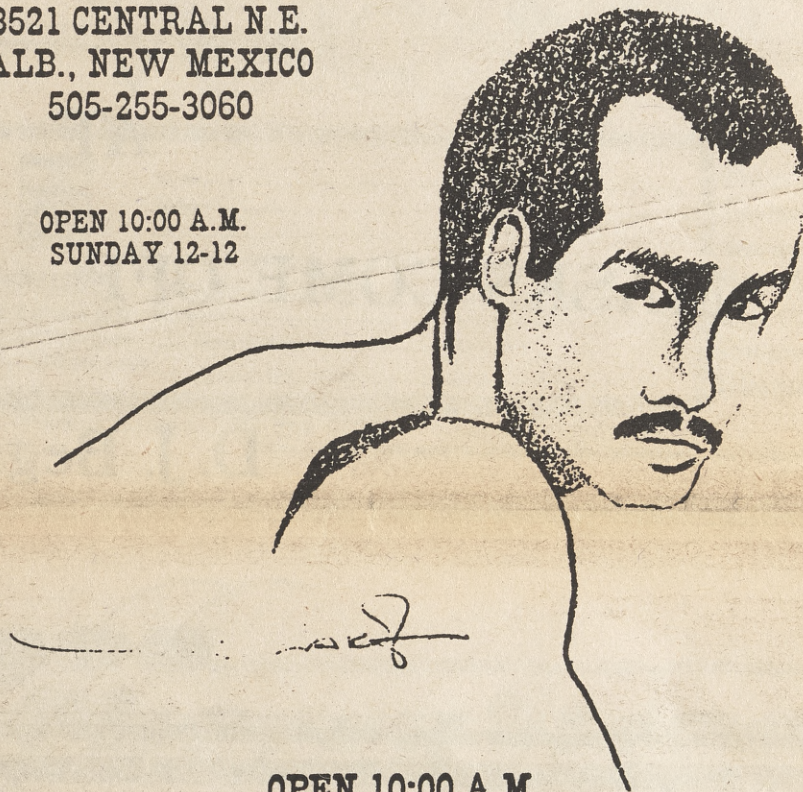
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More Euphemia

The only trouble is that some time ago I lent Don my extra key so that he could use my pad to get physical with his secretary--I'll call her Dolores. And now I'm scared to death that if I get in the sack with Jim, sure as shootin right in the middle of things Don's going to walk in unannounced with Dolores in tow and all aglow. And there's absolutely no way that we can use Jim and Don's place because Don's mother lives with them and is always at home.

Oh, yes, Dolores doesn't know anything about Jim and Don's relationship, nor does Don's mother.

Your advice, please.

Alberta
(Omaha)

Dear Alberta,

After several re-readings, (Isn't anything simple anymore?) I must say: Change your locks! Then, ask yourself this question: Is a little nookie on the side safe in Omaha?

I propose this brief scenario to you. Dolores decides to bed someone different from any of the aforementioned. His/her latent herpes flares up allowing Dolores to spread the word to Jim. Jim, in turn, slips it to Don, and the race is on!

Alberta, dear child, forget the tryst! If you're in dire need of sexual diversion (and we all are from time to time), go to the airline for any South American country and watch for young, straight men

in white shirts and ties who are boarding or deplaning. In this day and age, it's better and far more fun to trap a missionary and educate him/her than it is to fall into a muddled mass of sexual what-ifs.

Faux Pas

By Ed E. Kett

Dear Edwards,

I'm planning a rather large dinner party in the near future. I plan to invite several of my friends and their lovers as well as several hot little numbers that I've had my eye on for some time now. I'm hoping that my sedate dinner party will turn into a wild group orgy later that evening. Should I express this intention on the invitations? I'd hate to offend those of my friends who wouldn't want to participate. Or do you think they'll get the message?

Ever,

Cyril

Dear Cyril,

I've never found it necessary to mention anything on my invitations concerning my plans for desert. I'm sure your guests will get the idea after you've popped on the first three flies.

Yours,

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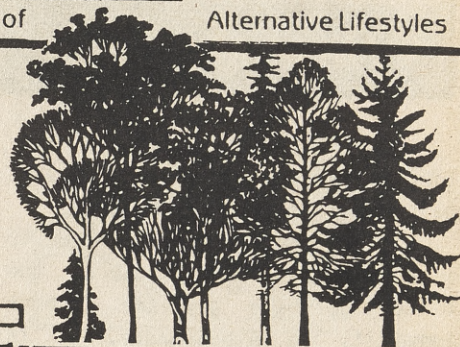
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A history of the gay and lesbian life of Albuquerque's past is being compiled by COMMON BOND.

This project is intended to give persons a perspective of the history of the gay and lesbian community in Albuquerque. It is anticipated that the project will show that the lesbian and gay movement is not something that sprang into being with the 1969 Stonewall riots. Albuquerque has long had a very active open gay and lesbian community.

Common Bond is searching for any old photographs and memorabilia of Albuquerque's gay and lesbian clubs, people, and events to complement the history. Anyone who would like to be interviewed or contribute photographs, which will be returned, should contact Steve Penrose at (505) 293-7861, or Roy Reini at (505) 243-2540.

Steve Gallegos decisively won a seat on the Albuquerque City Council with the help of the gay and lesbian vote. One of Gallegos' campaign workers and a member of the New Mexico Lesbian and Gay Political Alliance, (NML/GPA) said that the vote indicated that the candidate had lesbian and gay backing.

Gallegos obtained the active campaign support of members of the NML/GPA in his run-off bid against the incumbent after making a personal appearance before the NML/GPA board. Earlier, Gallegos had attracted the attention of gay

political activists by taking a favorable stand, at a candidate's forum sponsored by NML/GPA, on a city ordinance banning discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

Gallegos has pledged that he will support such an ordinance provided he is not the only proponent of the legislation on the city council.

Gay activists have taken this to mean that the gay and lesbian community must lobby the city councilors for a gay and lesbian civil rights ordinance.

Modesto

This is the beginning of a New Year for The Owl Empire of Stanislaus County, which is a non-profit service organization. The organization is planning several fun events throughout the year, including skating and bingo.

Square dancing lessons will soon start. Sign-up sheets will be posted in the two gay bars in Modesto.

Persons who want additional information or want to volunteer time and energy to help with events should contact Stanislaus Owl Empire, PO Box 6272, Modesto, CA 95355.

Mississippi

The Mississippi Attorney General's office recently denied non-profit corporate status to gay rights groups because it believed their existence violates criminal statutes.

The Mississippi Gay Alliance and Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays sought corporate charters to make raising money easier. The attorney general rejected the charter request saying that Mississippi law prohibited "Alternative Lifestyles" and made reference to "de-testable and abominable crimes against nature."

A spokesperson for the gay organizations indicated that they do not advocate one sexual orientation over another. The groups are concerned with education, civil rights, information and referral, counseling and guidance.

The Metropolitan Community Church (MCC) in Jackson has grown from five people when it started last April to 22 people by the end of 1983. Organizers hope that more people will attend Sunday Services which are held at 2 PM. Everyone is welcome regardless of race, creed, or sexual preference. MCC meets at 513 North State Street.

Berkeley

The Gay Men's Health Collective provides free and confidential VD testing and treatment by and for gay men. Clinics are held every Sunday, 7-9 PM at the Berkeley Free Clinic, 2339 Durant (at Dana) in Berkeley. Screening clinics are also held the first Monday of each month 7-9 PM at the Pacific Center, 2712 Telegraph Avenue, Berkeley. The Collective is comprised of trained medics, para-professionals, and professionals in health care.

and has provided services for over seven years. Call (415) 644-0425 for more information.

San Diego

Recently, in the first male rape case prosecuted in San Diego County, one Rudolph Hoskins, 38, was convicted of forcible sodomy and oral copulation.

The jury deliberated for three days before returning the guilty verdict. The jury also found Hoskins guilty of kidnapping for robbery.

The charges against Hoskins stemmed from a sexual assault which took place last April when he abducted a sailor at knifepoint from a street in downtown San Diego. The victim, a 23-year-old married man who is the father of a child, testified that he felt humiliated, violated, and angry enough at Hoskins to kill him. The attorney for the defense argued that the sailor was a willing participant in the incident.

Chicago

The Howard Brown Memorial Clinic in Chicago recently announced that it will receive a \$2.97 million federal grant to study AIDS.

The Clinic is named after Dr. Howard Brown, a public health physician in New York City and a strong advocate of a health care delivery system which is responsive to its patients rather than the doctors it employs. Brown came out

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as a gay man in 1973 and helped to found the National Gay Task Force.

The Clinic's executive director said the grant is the largest ever made to a gay organization by a government institution.

Concord

Diablo Valley Community Center, which is located at 1818 Colfax Street in Concord, is known to the people it serves as simply The Center. It provides a full program to gay women and men living in Contra Costa County and adjoining areas.

The Center provides a weekly rap/support group for men on Friday nights. A similar group for women is provided monthly.

Beginning in January, there will be a weekly Tuesday parenting support group. The activity will start at 7 PM and is designed for gays who have children.

The Center also operates a gay crisis line. The line is open Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 7-10 PM. The number is (415) 674-0171.

Maryland

The Gay Teachers of Maryland meets regularly on the second Tuesday of each month. The group has a large turnout and many important problems are discussed. Interested individuals, connected with education in any way, are invited to attend.

Further information as to location may be secured by calling the Switchboard at (303) 837-8888.

Clear Lake

By Bill Mooney

Another year has gone and here we go starting off with a new one already. It has been a real fun-filled year in and around CLEAR

LAKE. Both bars have been going out of their way to make everyone feel at home. SUNSET POINT BAR has changed its hours for the winter and is now open Thursday thru Sunday. Sunday is the PIG OUT! KIRBY'S VILLAGE, in Lakeport, is serving fine food from 7 AM to 10 PM, Tuesday thru Sunday. February will offer the SWEETHEART BALL at the CABARET. Persons who have a HEART ON when they enter the CABARET will receive their first drink free! ANDY at the SUNSET POINT has made some changes and would like for everyone to stop in and check things out. MT. VIEW DELI has changed hands...the new owners are DON & JOYCE. They are new to the LAKE and we wish them the best, so when you stop in for a good sandwich, tell them you read about their place in the PATLAR! For a good breakfast of biscuits and gravy, try the CRACKED SKILLET CAFE just a few miles from both bars and resorts. The skillet burger is a meal by itself. The hours are from 6 AM to 3 PM during the winter. Stop in and start your day off with great food. BILL & GARY at the CABARET serve the best coffee drinks around; ARTIE who works during the day has made the HAPPY HOUR much happier, starting at 4 PM until 7 PM. Well drinks are a buck and beer is eighty-five cents. Come join the fun at the CABARET! Last year at the LAKE was hot, and this year is going to be hotter. COME TO THE LAKE!!

Arizona

A furor has been touched off in Phoenix where an important elected official allegedly said that gay people should be used in medical experiments instead of animals. Despite the strong reaction by various segments of the community, Republican Hawley Atkinson, who is chairman of the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors, stated his intention to run for re-election in 1984.

Atkinson, 67, represents the conservative retirement community of Sun City. An Arizona newspaper called for Atkinson to resign his post. In addition, local gay people threatened to mobilize the county's 150,000 gay voters to force a recall election if Atkinson doesn't resign from the board entirely.

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The GANA support group will begin meeting on Tuesday, January 17. The group meets every Tuesday at 7 PM at the Coconino Community Guidance Center, 519 N. Leroux Street in Flagstaff. Everyone is welcome to attend.

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Oregon

The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals remanded the case of James Lee Miller, Y2c, to a lower court for a full hearing. The Navy has been trying to discharge Miller for the last seven years because of his homosexuality.

Miller's case earlier had a companion case, Beller v. Midden-dorf, in which the Ninth Circuit said the Navy had the right to discharge homosexuals.

After the decision in his first case became final, Miller was kept on active duty in the Navy for more than 14 months. He was given duty as a Chief Petty Officer, but the Navy refused to promote him or pay him at the Chief rate to which he had become fully qualified.

When the Navy finally decided to discharge him again, Miller went back into court seeking an injunction. This was denied; Miller appealed and received a stay pending appeal.

The importance of the case, his attorney stated, is that the court recognized Miller had a constitutional claim, and that the Navy permitted him to remain on active duty for 14 months knowing of his homosexuality.

Indiana

The Gay/Lesbian Organization (GLO) in Fort Wayne has formed a committee to coordinate support for a gay civil rights bill in Indiana.

The committee, called SOURCE (Sexual Orientation Unified Resources for Civil Equality), will attempt to gain non-gay support for the bill and to increase the gay community's awareness of the issue.

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GETTING THERE

By Tom Dolan

IS IT OVER YET?

Duaine was lying in a warm bed, getting ready to reach for his bottle of amyl when the phone rang. It was Ty, his steady, the only almost constant in his life.

"I've got to see you. It's important," said Ty.

"Okay," Duaine replied without thinking. "I'll be right over."

Duaine showered and dabbed on some Polo, a gift from one of his exes. (Duaine goes through boy-friends faster than the aftershave they give him at Christmas.)

In no time he was dressed and threading his way through evening traffic. At one point his Porsche was cut off by a van whose bumper sticker read, "Christians aren't perfect, just forgiven." Duaine leaned on his horn and laughed. He should have taken the incident as an omen.

Duaine knew Ty had been seeing other people, but nothing could have prepared him for the little drama about to unfold.

"You know I want an exclusive relationship, but you've never even been in love with me," said Ty, his lower lip protruding.

Duaine acknowledged he'd never gone into limerence and said, "I've

never been infatuated with you. Guess I didn't need that. I just gradually got into loving you. What's the problem?"

"Set me free," Ty pleaded in his best Garbo. "I can't love anybody else till you set me free."

"Okay," Duaine replied, kissing him lightly between the eyes. "I set you free. Go in peace." (He used his sexiest voice. Duaine has a very sexy voice. Everybody says so.)

Terror lit Ty's eyes. "Is that what you want?" he asked.

"Not really, but it seems to be what you want."

"What I need is...I need to masturbate," said Ty leaping across the room, landing in Duaine's lap and pinning him to the sofa. Ty made a grab at Duaine's crotch, which he deflected.

"I think I'd best be going," said Duaine.

"Not yet!" exclaimed Ty, ripping his pants open and going to work.

"This is weird," said Duaine. "I don't want any part of this." He tried to rise but couldn't. Ty was making himself heavy.

Duaine resorted to reason. "If you want to make love, we can go in the bedroom."

Ty couldn't hear him. He seemed to be under a bell jar. Summoning all his strength, Duaine pushed him off. Ty landed on the floor with a thud.

"Are you all right?" asked Duaine heading for the door. "Thanks for a lovely evening."

Before Duaine could escape Ty had him again. This time he dragged him into the bedroom. Duaine did what he thought was a good imitation of a log being pulled by a tractor.

"This is sick," said Duaine with closed eyes. "Nobody's going to believe you did this."

Interestingly, Ty was unable to complete the job of sex without his friend's participation.

Duaine's cock was remarkable unmoved.

"This is the weirdest thing that ever happened to me," said Duaine. He felt like somebody's inflatable plastic doll.

He could see, though, that Ty wasn't about to give up. No towel in sight, Duaine began to fear for his clothing. "Would it ruin your concentration if I removed my clothes?" he asked.

"Your mother isn't going to believe you did this," Duaine continued as he unbuttoned his shirt. "This has to be the weirdest thing you've ever done."

Ty loosened Duaine's belt, unzipped his fly and tugged at his jeans. "Let me do it," he said.

"Sure. Why not?" Duaine replied. "If you're intent on raping me, I think you should do all the work."

EPILOG

Ty knew all Duaine's secrets and soft spots. Ultimately, there was no way Duaine could not be turned on by him. It was something like Swept Away, albeit a shorter version.

All Duaine could think was "Wow!" He felt like a freshly opened Ipswich clam. Goopy and vulnerable.

Ty was falling asleep as Duaine leaned over the bed to kiss him goodnight. He tucked the blankets under Ty's chin and tiptoed away with warmed blood, rosy skin, and a silly smile on his face.

The cops would have been justified in stopping him for DWI. When Duaine observed himself stopping for green lights, as he did that night, he knew he'd been blown away. Something he didn't understand, something strange and wonderful had occurred.

He had sufficient coordination, however, to make what he thought would be a brief stop at the Brass Rail. "A nightcap would be nice," he told himself.

No sooner had he ordered his whiskey sour than he found himself engaged in conversation with an attractive older man, new in town. He was hunky and responsive.

They chatted themselves hoarse above the music till 1:00 AM when Duaine was ready for the sack. Unfortunately, the hunk wasn't. Duaine shook the hand he proffered and said goodnight. A mere contre-temps, he told himself.

When Duaine got home and slid between the sheets, he was glad the hunk had turned him down. "He would have stunk up the apartment with his cigarettes. Anyway, I like sleeping alone," he rationalized.

Duaine fell asleep when his head hit the pillow but woke at 6:00 remembering a series of powerful dreams in which Ty had appeared. He was Prince Valiant, Attila the Hun, and all Duaine's exes rolled into one.

His hand was shaking as he reached for the phone beside the bed and punched Ty's number.

"Are you awake yet?"

"Barely," Ty replied.

"Are you alone?" asked Duaine.

"What is this, the Holy Inquisition?" he said.

"I have something to tell you," said Duaine.

"Can't it wait till tonight?"

"No!"

"What is it?"

"For six months you've been asking me for an exclusive relationship," said Duaine.

"Yeah. What about it?"

"I'm ready. You can have what you want."

"I'm not sure I want that anymore," said Ty sleepily.

Then Ty uttered the classic line employed by all whose hearts are divided and who contemplate a change of relationship. "I'm confused," he said.

"But only yesterday..." said Duaine.

"I know," said Ty. "Try to understand."

AIDS UPDATE

European researchers studying AIDS patients from former Belgian and French colonies in Africa have begun speculating that the disease originated in Africa. They have also started questioning whether the illness primarily affects homosexuals.

Dr. Jan Desmyter of the Rega Institute in Leuven, Belgium, has announced that all AIDS cases diagnosed in his country, 40 to date, are either Zairians or Belgians who either formerly lived in Zaire or had a sexual partner from that Central African country.

Dr. David Klatzman of the Hospital Salpetriere in Paris has revealed that approximately 18 percent of the AIDS cases diagnosed to date in France have had similar links with Zaire or its nearby neighbor, the Congo.

None of the Africa-connected cases involves a male homosexual, which is quite different from the situation in the United States. Also interesting is the fact that 40 percent of the AIDS cases in Belgium involve women; in the United States, very few women to date have come down with AIDS. Furthermore, none of the Belgian cases involves either an intravenous drug user or a hemophiliac, the other two big groups of AIDS victims in the United States.

Some scientists believe that the island of Haiti was the original source for AIDS. Dr. Jane Teas, an anthropologist at the Harvard University School of Public Health, believes that the common tie between Africa and Haiti may be the African swine fever virus, which has been the cause of recent epidemics in both Zaire and Haiti. She speculates that the swine virus causes a wasting disease in pigs that resembles AIDS, and that it can be contracted by humans who eat undercooked pork.

However, Dr. Jean-Michel Guerin of the Research Group on Immunological Illnesses in Haiti believes that a more likely reason for the occurrence of AIDS in Haiti is the local practice of non-physicians giving injections of various so-called medicines using dirty needles.

In the United States, many scientists suspect that AIDS is caused by a virus that is transmitted by body fluids such as blood or semen. They speculate that the virus was brought in from Africa by an American male homosexual who then introduced it to the homosexual population here where it spread like wildfire.

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arrival is of a comfortably decorated private home, and this feeling is enhanced as one is taken through the various rooms. Each one of the hotel's 18 suites has its own individual personality. This includes the outrageous Safari Suite with tiger and panther skins lining the walls and the quietly

charming English Chipendale Suite with its fine antiques and 19th Century horse paintings. The following facilities and services are provided: hot tubs, athletic equipment, continental breakfast and buffet lunches, bar service, in-room massage, and English tea at 4 PM.

One of the advantages of staying at the hotel is the amenities of condominium living without the bother of household chores. In the final analysis, it is the individual charm of the rooms that makes this hotel outstanding!

Norman

The Norman, Oklahoma, City Council recently defeated a proposed gay-right ordinance. The ordinance, which was endorsed by the Norman Human Rights Commission, would have outlawed discrimination based on sexual preference in employment, housing, and public accommodations. The Commission endorsed a similar statement in 1978, but never sent it to a City Council vote. This year, support for the proposed ordinance again was low, but commission members felt the vote might be a way to educate the community. However, letters and petitions received by City Hall were overwhelmingly opposed to the proposed legislation.

Cincinnati

STONEWALL CINCINNATI SUCCEEDS

By Shane Que Hee

Stonewall Cincinnati, the only full-time political-action group working for gay rights in Cincin-

nati, was very successful in influencing voters in the recent elections to elect nine people to the City Council.

Both Guy Guckenberger (R), who reiterated his support for gay civil rights in two separate newspaper interviews, and Marian Spencer, who placed Stonewall Cincinnati's endorsement on three separate election flyers and who undertook tours of some of the city's gay establishments, were elected. Sam Britton (D) also toured and placed Stonewall's endorsement on two pieces of election literature. He came in thirteenth in the 23-candidate field.

Marian Spencer was also the first black woman ever elected to the Council, and one of the few to be elected on the first try.

Stonewall Cincinnati devoted over 1000 hours to the Spencer campaign, over 700 hours to the Britton campaign, and at least 500 hours to the Guckenberger campaign. It devoted well over 2000 hours to its own community outreach, and it received the unstinting moral and active support of the Greater Cincinnati Gay Coalition, and the local gay newspaper.

Previously, gay involvement in political campaigns in Cincinnati has been looked upon as the kiss of death to the candidate concerned. For example, Peter Strauss in 1979 actually repudiated publically the endorsement of a gay group (Strauss easily won reelection this time, but did not reply to the Stonewall questionnaire). This is no longer true, and hopefully will signal the beginning of a new era in the struggle for gay civil rights in this city. Certainly, the participation of the largest bars in this campaign was a first, and it is hoped it will bring more cohesiveness to the community itself.

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Views from River City

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San Francisco

Entries are now being accepted for the 8th San Francisco International Lesbian and Gay Film Festival which is set for June 18-24, 1984. The Festival is held each year during San Francisco's Lesbian/Gay Freedom Celebration and

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AXEL (far left) and Power Plant Staff

One of Sacramento's most popular gay bars is operated by a community-minded young man who is known to his patrons simply as AXEL; and his bar, called the POWER PLANT, has operated nearly two years in the downtown area of the city. The bar acquired a full-liquor license a year ago.

The POWER PLANT was built from an empty shell and ideas. Axel received help from Richard Monnaier and Kenny Starks, a technical designer who planned the lounge, bar, liquor showcases, and the lighting fixtures.

Axel believes the POWER PLANT is so successful because he stresses to the gay community and his staff that it is a "people's bar." One reason patrons enjoy the music there so much is that the DJs are independent. They are free to do

their own thing, so the music they play reflects the real interests of the people who come to the bar to dance.

Axel, who is 23 years old, has called Sacramento his home for the past 13 years. He previously lived in Detroit, Denver, Seattle, and Vancouver. Axel is happy to have his business located in Sacramento. He thinks that gay people here have made many significant contributions to the community as a whole. And Sacramento is glad to have Axel as a bar operator.

Although Axel is a dynamic young man, he is humble and grateful to the gay community for supporting his business. He believes that Sacramento bars are as progressive as they can be and that they tend to change with the whole community.

Seattle

What is believed to be the nation's first transvestite dating service is now operating in Seattle. The Transvestite Contact Service also puts transsexuals in touch with sympathetic persons. The service can be reached by calling (206) 624-8266.

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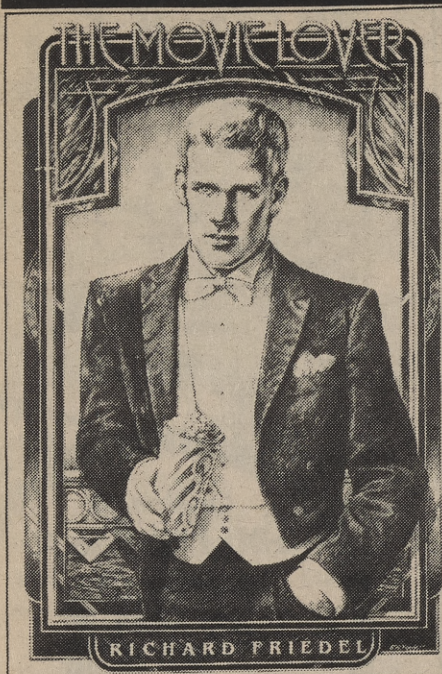
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THE MOVIE LOVER by Richard Friedel
(Alyson Pub. Inc. 1981)

Reviewed by E. Euris

If you've grown weary of the emotional comings in-or-out and/or the sexual intensity explored to great extent in modern gay literature, then take a break. Retreat to a recent past with Richard Friedel in *THE MOVIE LOVER*, a romantic fiction about the growing up of Burton Raider, an elegant, to say the least, individual with definite wit, style, and an ever-tenuous hold on real life. His hold on "reel life," however is more substantial in that each page contains allusions to films and stars (real and fictitious), a la Gore Vidal in the wry *MYRA BRECKENRIDGE*. (The book is a nice treat for a moviephile)

In briskly paced vignettes, we follow Burton through young manhood and a gently amusing first crush (Roman De Marco), a chance meeting and eventual involvement with an aged actress (Marietta), and an inevitable clash with the religious right in the Anita Bryant/Phyllis Schafly virginal tradition (*SISTER IVY*). Friedel has an endearing style which allows his affections for life to show through Burton's observations. He states that one's sexual orientation is a significant part of one's personality, not to be ignored like a pimple or repressed like the urge to eat a chocolate-covered cherry.

The journey through Burton's life is a warm smile--or the feeling you get from a chuckle. It hops softly from one readable experience to another. This is the kind of book to read this rainy winter by a fire. Those of you who came out in the bassinet and who never knew closets will remember the days depicted with more smirks, but it's a good read for anyone.

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THE LAW OF RETURN by Alice Bloch
(Alyson Pub. Inc. 1983)

Reviewed by Alex M. Vernon

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The author makes Elisheva's experience real and very accessible to any reader. Elisheva has a dim awareness of her distress, her problems, and of her being unsatisfied with the Jewish homeland. She sees a pattern in the men she picks up: they have each been hurt--injured and impaired in mind or body--and they hurt her in turn. Also disconcerting is a letter from her old American friend, Daniel, the only boy she was ever able to feel comfortable with and close to and whom she feels she could marry; he announces that he is gay.

Elisheva's concerns pour out at one point when, "without pausing to think," she says she believes in "Nature...the seasons. The earth. The wisdom of the body. History. Compassion."

Realizing that life in Israel after two years is not what she really wants, she returns to the US to marry Daniel, but she begins to feel misgivings when she is with him. When their engagement proves an ordeal and is abandoned, they move to Greenwich Village, and Elisheva begins to work at a women's center.

After much restless searching and psychic tumult, she comes to a swift, strong awareness and identification: "Of course. It's so simple...I am one of these women. I am a lesbian." It is a joyous moment, and the freedom and release bring self-accepting good humor: she is dying to tell a new woman friend, "I'm a lesbian, though I haven't lesbied yet."

Bloch's style is lucid, sensual, and singing; and her prose powerfully portrays this woman's odyssey of self-discovery. This novel is an excellent evocation of the experience of a young woman's finding herself; in this celebration of womankind flowering, there is meaning for every reader.

Philadelphia

The Gay and Lesbian Community Center in Philadelphia closed its doors late last year.

The Board of Directors said the Center's location at 222 S. Camac Street no longer meets the community's needs well enough to justify its continued use.

The co-chair of the Board said the building's \$750-a-month rent was a drain on the Center.

The concept of a community center and its Board of Directors will remain intact for now. However, the physical plant will be abandoned.

The Board still controls \$21,000 in donations from supporters of the Center. The money may be used for a feasibility study or facility design for a new building.

Some observers are worried that once the Center closes its doors will remain shut forever, but board members indicated their confidence that a new building will exist well within the next four years.

Milwaukee

The National Organization for Women (NOW) is sponsoring a conference on "Lesbian Rights: Power and Politics in '84.'" The ga-

thering will be held January 20-22 in Milwaukee. Over 500 people are expected to attend.

The conference is intended to prepare attendees for participation in the 1984 elections.

Additional information on the conference is available from NOW at 425 13th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20004, or by calling (202) 347-2279.

Louisiana

A gay student social group is being established at the University of Southwestern Louisiana. The organization needs more members. For more information call Joey at (504) 231-4191 or leave a message at (504) 237-9588.

Georgia

The International Association of Black & White Men Together will have a convention in Atlanta, July 2-7, 1984. For additional information, write: Convention '84, PO Box 8082, Atlanta, GA 30306, (404) 794-BWMT.

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Pro-gay ministry staffed a booth at a national Southern Baptist Conference on Social Justice Issues held in Atlanta recently. There was a large sign proclaiming "Evangelical Outreach Ministries, A Voice For Lesbian & Gay Men In The Bible Belt" displayed prominently over the EOM booth. The booth featured pro-gay religious and secular works and free literature. Responses to this event were very varied.

Throughout the conference, EOM members interacted with Christian leadership from across the nation, literature was distributed, and names obtained for future networking. EOM spokespersons were elated at the warm reception and see it as an indication that there is hope for acceptance of lesbians and gay men in the heart of the Bible Belt.

Minnesota

The First International Gay Olympic Association Co-Chairs conference will be held in Minneapolis/St. Paul on January 21-22 1984.

The conference will permit people from all areas to share ideas about the lesbian/gay olympics. The primary purpose of the

January conference is to elect a steering committee to develop and maintain international communications about upcoming winter and summer games and to tour the facilities for the International 1986 Lesbian/Gay Winter Olympic Games.

Information regarding the conference is available by writing the ML/GC-IGOA office at 900 Albion Avenue, St. Paul, MN 55116, (612)-699-2807.

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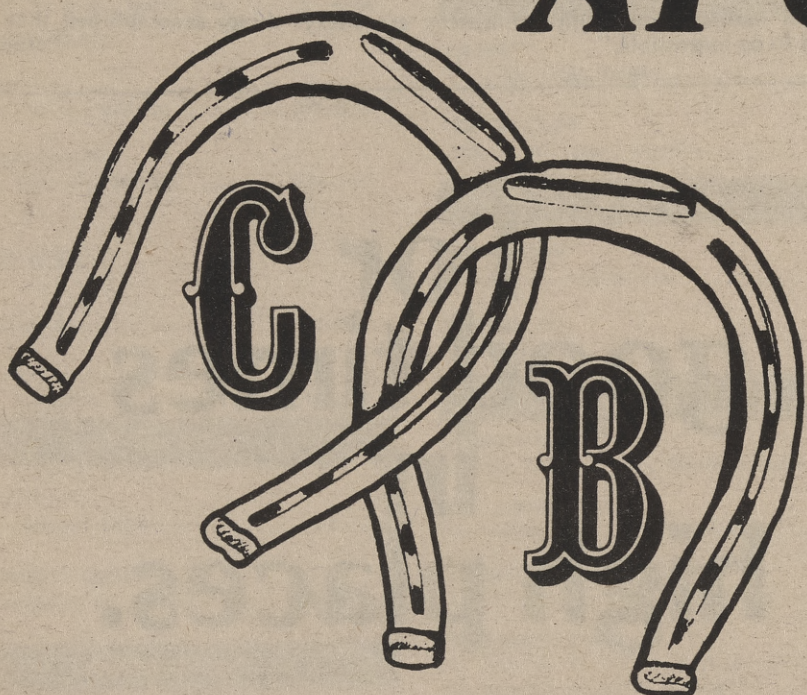


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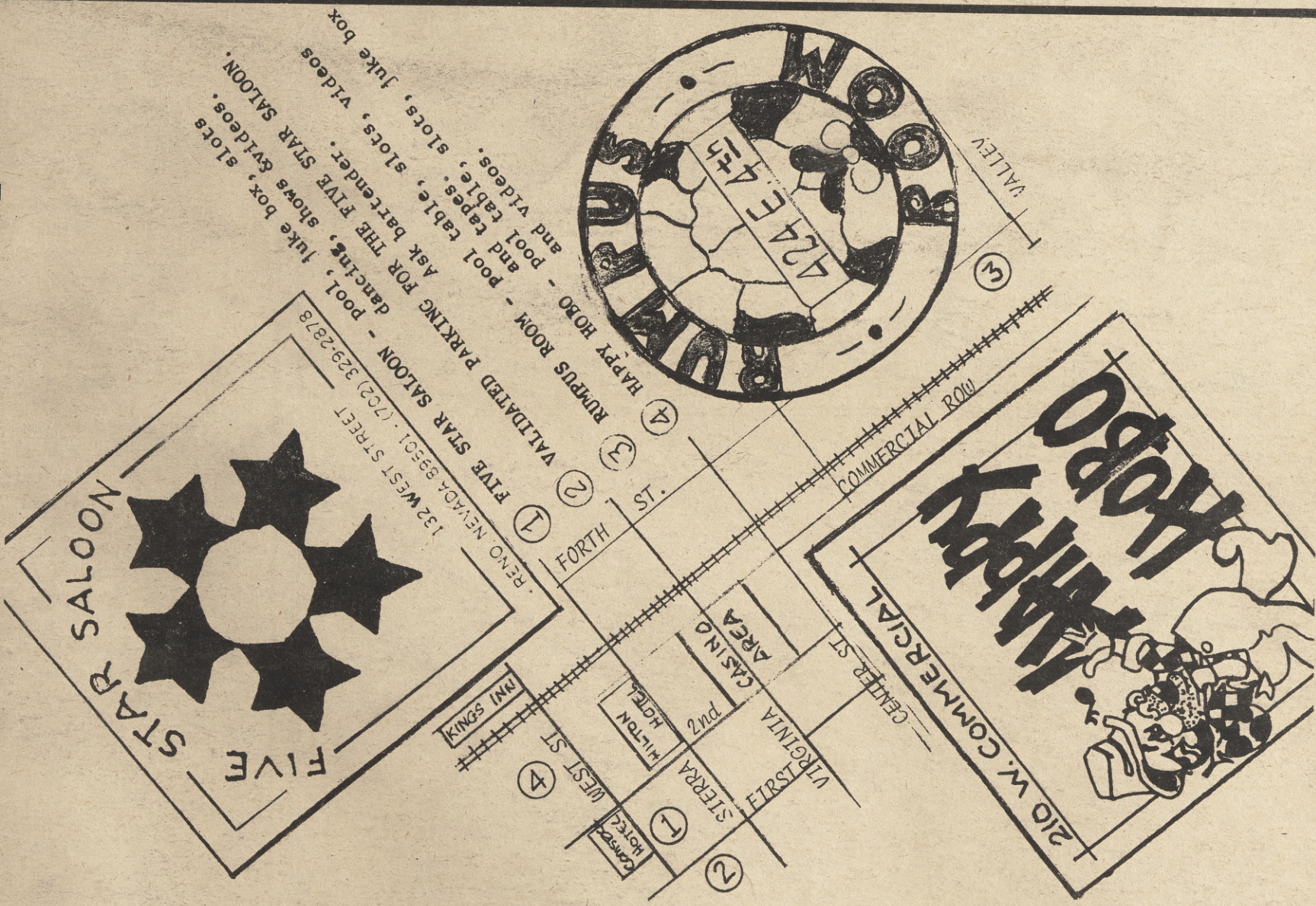
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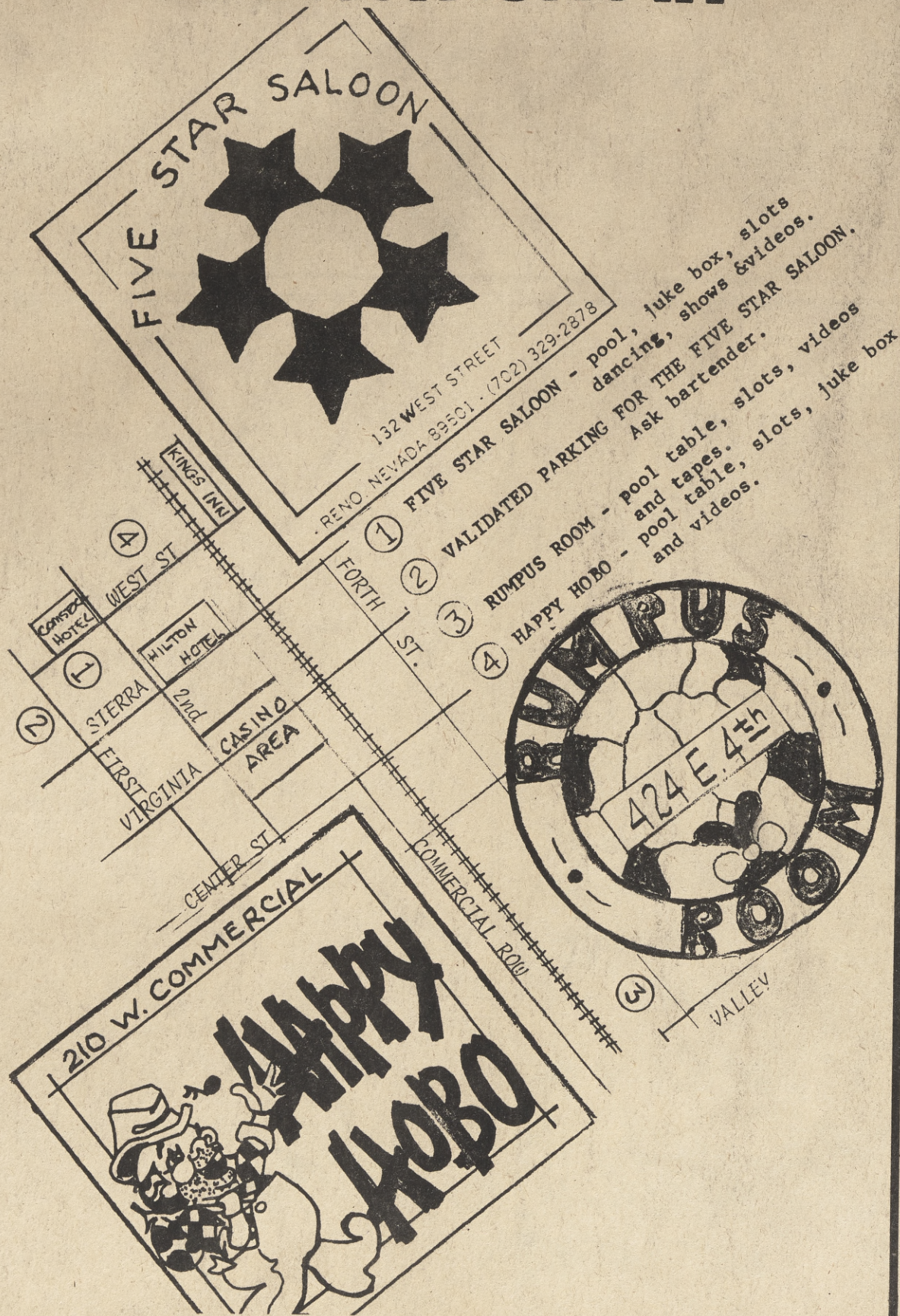
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